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TO AMEMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR PRIORITY

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FOR AMBASSADOR MILLER FROM AMBASSADOR RICHARDSON

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: LOS - NEW MALAYSIAN LAW MINISTER/ATTORNEY
GENERAL

REF: KUALA LUMPUR 0365

1. THANK YOU FOR CLARIFYING KADIR'S NEW RESPONSIBILITIES.
I AM OF COURSE DISAPPOINTED THAT HE WILL NOT CONTINUE TO
REPRESENT MALAYSIA AT THE LOS CONFERENCE. HE HAS ALWAYS
BEEN A FORCE FOR MODERATION AND COMMON SENSE. WE WILL MISS
HIM. I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR HAVING THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE
DELIVERED TO KADIR.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

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DEAR TAN SRI KADIR: AMBASSADOR MILLER HAS INFORMED ME THAT
YOU HAVE ASSUMED NEW CABINET RESPONSIBILITIES. I HASTEN TO
WISH YOU SUCCESS AND SATISFACTION IN YOUR POST, BUT I
CANNOT FAIL TO EXPRESS MY KEEN REGRET THAT YOU AND I WILL
NO LONGER BE ASSOCIATED IN THE EFFORT TO ACHIEVE A COMPRE-
HENSIVE TREATY FOR THE LAW OF THE SEA. I HAVE VALUED OUR
ASSOCIATION MORE THAN I CAN ADEQUATELY EXPRESS. I HAVE

ADMIRE YOUR FORTHRIGHT STANCE AT THE CONFERENCE AND YOUR
SUPPORT OF SENSIBLE, FAIR SOLUTIONS TO THE DIFFICULT
PROBLEMS WITH WHICH THE CONFERENCE IS GRAPPLING. I HOPE I
WILL HAVE THE PLEASURE OF SEEING YOU AGAIN IN MALAYSIA OR
HERE EVEN THOUGH OUR RESPONSIBILITIES MAY NOT COINCIDE.
PLEASE DO NOT FAIL TO LET ME KNOW IF YOUR NEW DUTIES SHOULD
BEING YOU TO WASHINGTON.

I HOPE YOU WILL ASSURE MINISTER HAMZAH THAT I WILL LOOK
FORWARD TO WORKING CLOSELY WITH HIM AND THAT I HOPE I WILL
HAVE THE PLEASURE OF MEETING HIM IN NEW YORK IN EARLY
FEBRUARY AT THE INTERSESSIONAL MEETINGS. MY DEPUTY,
AMBASSADOR GEORGE ALDRICH, IS ATTENDING THE AALCC MEETING
AS THE US OBSERVER AND WILL I AM SURE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY
TO DISCUSS OUR MUTUAL LOS INTERESTS WITH MINISTER HAMZAH.

WITH THE ASSURANCE OF MY HIGH AND CONTINUING ESTEEM AND
WARMEST PERSONAL REGARDS FROM MRS. RICHARDSON AND ME TO
YOU AND MRS. KADIR (EMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR IS REQUESTED TO
INSERT THE CORRECT FORM OF ADDRESS FOR THE MINISTER'S
WIFE).

SINCERELY, ELLIOT.

END TEXT.

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